

A LITTLEWOOD-RICHARDSON FILTRATION AT ROOTS OF 1 FOR MULTIPARAMETR DEFORMATIONS OF SKEW SCHUR MODULES

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Let R be a commutative ring, q a unit of R and P a multiplicatively antisymmetric matrix with coefficients which are integer powers of q . Denote by $SE(q, P)$ the multiparameter quantum matrix bialgebra associated to q and P . Slightly generalizing [H-H], we define a multiparameter deformation $L_{\lambda/\mu} V_P$ of the classical skew Schur module. In case R is a field and q is not a root of 1, arguments like those given in [H-H] show that $L_{\lambda/\mu} V_P$ is completely reducible, and its decomposition into irreducibles is $\sum_{\nu} \gamma(\lambda/\mu; \nu) L_{\nu} V_P$, where the coefficients $\gamma(\lambda/\mu; \nu)$ are the usual Littlewood-Richardson coefficients. When R is any ring and q is allowed to be a root of 1, we construct a filtration of $L_{\lambda/\mu} V_P$ as an $SE(q, P)$ -comodule, such that its associated graded object is precisely $\sum_{\nu} \gamma(\lambda/\mu; \nu) L_{\nu} V_P$.

1. The Ingredients

1.1 Let $N > 1$ be a positive integer. Choose a unit q in a commutative ring R ; fix a matrix $P = (p_{ij})_{i,j=1}^N$ where the p_{ij} 's are non-zero elements of R with the property

$$p_{ij}p_{ji} = p_{ii} = 1 \quad \forall i, j = 1, \dots, N.$$

Consider the free R -module V_P with basis $\{u_1, \dots, u_N\}$ and define an automorphism $\beta_{q,P}$ on $V_P \otimes V_P$ by the following rule:

$$\beta_{q,P}(u_i \otimes u_j) = \begin{cases} u_i \otimes u_j & \text{if } i = j \\ qp_{ji}u_j \otimes u_i & \text{if } i < j \\ qp_{ji}u_j \otimes u_i + (1 - q^2)u_i \otimes u_j & \text{if } i > j \end{cases}.$$

Then $(V_P, \beta_{q,P})$ is a YB pair in the sense of [H-H]. Moreover it satisfies the Iwahori's quadratic equation

$$(id_{V_P \otimes V_P} - \beta_{q,P}) \circ (id_{V_P \otimes V_P} + q^{-2}\beta_{q,P}) = 0,$$

as we can easily verify.

1.2 The multiparameter quantum matrix bialgebra $SE(q, P)$ [S] is the algebra generated by the N^2 elements x_{ij} ($i, j = 1, \dots, N$) with relations (for $i < j$ and $k < m$) :

$$x_{ik}x_{im} = qp_{mk}x_{im}x_{ik} \quad x_{ik}x_{jk} = qp_{ij}x_{jk}x_{ik} \quad p_{mk}x_{im}x_{jk} = p_{ij}x_{jk}x_{im}$$

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$$p_{km}x_{ik}x_{jm} - p_{ij}x_{jm}x_{ik} = (q - q^{-1})x_{im}x_{jk}.$$

The coalgebra structure is given by the following comultiplication and counity :

$$\Delta(x_{ij}) = \sum_{k=1}^N x_{ik} \otimes x_{kj} \quad , \quad \varepsilon(x_{ij}) = \delta_{ij}.$$

1.3 There is a natural $SE(q, P)$ -comodule structure on V_P given by

$$u_j \mapsto \sum_i u_i \otimes x_{ij}.$$

Consider the ideal \mathcal{B}_P^+ of $SE(q, P)$ generated by all x_{ij} with $i > j$ and put

$$SB^+(q, P) = SE(q, P)/\mathcal{B}_P^+.$$

The relations between the generators in $SB^+(q, P)$ are those given in (1.2) when we put $x_{ij} = 0$ for $i > j$. In particular x_{ii} commutes with x_{jj} for all i, j .

1.4 Henceforth the p_{ij} 's will be integer powers of q . More precisely (cf.[R]) we shall take

$$p_{ij} = q^{2(u_{ji} - u_{j-1i} - u_{ji-1} + u_{j-1i-1})},$$

where $U = (u_{ij})_{i,j=1}^{N-1}$ is an appropriate alternating integer matrix. In this way we shall be in the situation of [C-V 1-2], where in fact an integer form of the multiparameter quantum function algebra is constructed. From now on, we shall skip all indices q, P in our notations as long as no ambiguity is likely.

1.5 We now begin reviewing some results of [H-H], freely adopting the notations in there. Starting from the YB pair (V, β_V) , we can construct some graded YB bialgebras. First of all the tensor algebra $TV = \bigoplus_{i \geq 0} V^{\otimes i} = \bigoplus_{i \geq 0} T_i V$ with YB operator $T(\beta_V) = \bigoplus_{i,j \geq 0} \beta_V(\chi_{ij})$, where χ_{ij} is the following element of \mathcal{S}_{i+j} :

$$\chi_{ij} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & \dots & i & i+1 & i+2 & \dots & i+j \\ j+1 & j+2 & \dots & j+i & 1 & 2 & \dots & j \end{pmatrix}.$$

We recall that, if $\sigma = \sigma_{i_1} \cdots \sigma_{i_r}$ is a reduced expression for an element $\sigma \in \mathcal{S}_k$, then it is well defined on $T_k V$ the operator $\beta_V(\sigma) = \beta_V(\sigma_{i_1}) \circ \cdots \circ \beta_V(\sigma_{i_r})$, $\beta_V(\sigma_j)$ being the map $id_V^{\otimes j-1} \otimes \beta_V \otimes id_V^{\otimes k-j-1}$. In order to describe the coproduct of TV , for every sequence $\alpha = (\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_s)$ of nonnegative integers with $\sum_i \alpha_i = k$, define Δ_{TV}^α to be the composite map $TV \longrightarrow T_s V \longrightarrow T_\alpha V$ of the s -th iteration of Δ_{TV} and the projection onto $T_\alpha V = V^{\otimes \alpha_1} \otimes \cdots \otimes V^{\otimes \alpha_s}$. Put

$$\mathcal{S}^\alpha = \{\sigma \in \mathcal{S}_k | \sigma(1) < \cdots < \sigma(\alpha_1), \sigma(\alpha_1 + 1) < \cdots < \sigma(\alpha_1 + \alpha_2), \dots, \sigma(\sum_{i=1}^{s-1} \alpha_i + 1) < \cdots < \sigma(\sum_{i=1}^s \alpha_i)\}.$$

Then $\Delta_{TV}^\alpha = \sum_{\sigma \in \mathcal{S}^\alpha} \beta_V(\sigma^{-1})$.

1.6 We consider the symmetric and the exterior algebras SV and ΛV of the YB pair (V, β_V) , which will play a key role in what follows. The algebra SV is generated by u_1, \dots, u_N with relations

$$u_i u_j = p_{ji} q u_j u_i,$$

while ΛV is the algebra on the same generators with relations

$$u_i \wedge u_i = 0, \quad p_{ji} q u_i \wedge u_j + u_j \wedge u_i = 0 \quad (i < j).$$

So for every sequence $i = (i_1, \dots, i_k)$ of elements in $[1, N]$ we have

$$u_{i_1} \wedge \dots \wedge u_{i_k} = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if there are repetitions in } i \\ (\prod_{r < t, \sigma(r) > \sigma(t)} -q^{-1} p_{i_{\sigma(r)} i_{\sigma(t)}}) u_{i_{\sigma(1)}} \wedge \dots \wedge u_{i_{\sigma(k)}} & \text{if } i_1 < \dots < i_k \text{ and } \sigma \in \mathcal{S}_k \end{cases}.$$

The R -modules $S_r V$ and $\Lambda_r V$ are free with bases, respectively,

$$\{u_{j_1} \dots u_{j_r} \mid 1 \leq j_1 \leq \dots \leq j_r \leq N\}, \quad \{u_{j_1} \wedge \dots \wedge u_{j_r} \mid 1 \leq j_1 < \dots < j_r \leq N\}.$$

1.7 Put $\gamma_V = -q^{-2} \beta_V$. Then the two YB operators β_V, γ_V satisfy conditions (4.9) and (4.10) in [H-H], that is, (V, β_V, γ_V) is a YB triple. From this follows (Theorem 4.10 in [H-H]) that SV and ΛV are graded YB bialgebras. Moreover there exist YB operators φ_{SV}, ψ_{SV} on SV , and $\varphi_{\Lambda V}, \psi_{\Lambda V}$ on ΛV , for which $(SV, \varphi_{SV}, \psi_{SV})$ and $(\Lambda V, \varphi_{\Lambda V}, \psi_{\Lambda V})$ are YB algebra triples. In particular, the operator $\varphi_{\Lambda V}$ is defined by the relation $\varphi_{\Lambda V} \circ (p \otimes p) = (p \otimes p) \circ T(-\beta_V)$ where p denotes the projection from TV onto ΛV . The multiplicative structure on ΛV is given by the fusion procedure, namely, by

$$m_{T_i(\Lambda V)} = m_{\Lambda V}^{\otimes i} \circ \varphi_{\Lambda V}(\omega_i), \quad \omega_i = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & \dots & i & i+1 & i+3 & \dots & 2i \\ 1 & 3 & \dots & 2i-1 & 2 & 4 & \dots & 2i \end{pmatrix}.$$

Finally note that TV, SV and ΛV are SE -equivariant as YB bialgebras with YB algebra triples, that is, all the structure morphisms (including YB operators) are homomorphisms of SE -comodules. ■

1.8 A translation into our setting of Lemma 5.3 in [H-H] gives the following very useful equality.

Lemma For any $k \geq 0$ and any sequence (i_1, \dots, i_k) with $1 \leq i_1 < \dots < i_k \leq N$ we have :

$$\Delta_{\Lambda V}^{(1, \dots, 1)}(u_{i_1} \wedge \dots \wedge u_{i_k}) = \sum_{\sigma \in \mathcal{S}_k} \left(\prod_{r < t, \sigma(r) > \sigma(t)} -q p_{i_{\sigma(r)} i_{\sigma(t)}} \right) u_{i_{\sigma(1)}} \otimes \dots \otimes u_{i_{\sigma(k)}}.$$

In particular, for any k , $\Delta_{\Lambda V} : \Lambda V \longrightarrow T_k V$ is a split injection. □

1.9 We are now ready to introduce our multiparameter deformations of Schur modules. In fact all definitions and results in Section 6 of [H-H], stated for the "Jimbo case", still hold in our situation.

For all but Lemma 6.12 can be deduced from formal properties of graded YB bialgebras which are also equipped with a structure of YB algebra triple. The proof of Lemma 6.12, which depends directly on the definition of β_V , can be easily modified for our purposes.

Given a skew partition λ/μ with $l(\lambda/\mu) = s$ and $\lambda_1 = t$, denote by $d_{\lambda/\mu}(V)$ the *Schur map*, that is, the composite map

$$\begin{aligned} \Lambda_{\lambda/\mu} V &= \Lambda_{\lambda_1 - \mu_1} V \otimes \cdots \otimes \Lambda_{\lambda_t - \mu_t} V \xrightarrow{\Delta_{\Lambda V}^{(1^{\lambda_1 - \mu_1})} \otimes \cdots \otimes \Delta_{\Lambda V}^{(1^{\lambda_t - \mu_t})}} T_{\lambda/\mu} V = T_{\lambda_1 - \mu_1} V \otimes \cdots \otimes T_{\lambda_t - \mu_t} V \longrightarrow \\ &\xrightarrow{(-q^{-2}\beta_V)(\chi_{\lambda/\mu})} T_{\tilde{\lambda}/\tilde{\mu}} V = T_{\tilde{\lambda}_1 - \tilde{\mu}_1} V \otimes \cdots \otimes T_{\tilde{\lambda}_s - \tilde{\mu}_s} V \xrightarrow{p \otimes \cdots \otimes p} S_{\tilde{\lambda}/\tilde{\mu}} V = S_{\tilde{\lambda}_1 - \tilde{\mu}_1} V \otimes \cdots \otimes S_{\tilde{\lambda}_s - \tilde{\mu}_s} V, \end{aligned}$$

where, as usual, $\tilde{\lambda}$ denotes the dual partition of λ , and $\chi_{\lambda/\mu}$ is the permutation defined in Section 6 of [H-H]. We illustrate such a permutation by the following example :

$$\begin{aligned} \lambda = (5, 4, 2) \quad \mu = (2, 1) \quad \chi_{\lambda/\mu} &= \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 & 6 & 7 & 8 \\ 4 & 6 & 8 & 2 & 5 & 7 & 1 & 3 \end{pmatrix} \\ \begin{array}{cccc} \bullet & \bullet & 1 & 2 & 3 \\ \bullet & 4 & 5 & 6 & \\ 7 & 8 & & & \end{array} &\xrightarrow{\chi_{\lambda/\mu}} \begin{array}{cccc} \bullet & \bullet & 4 & 6 & 8 \\ \bullet & 2 & 5 & 7 & \\ 1 & 3 & & & \end{array} \end{aligned}$$

The image of the Schur map, denoted by $L_{\lambda/\mu} V$, is the *Schur module of V with respect to the skew partition λ/μ* . It is an *SE*-comodule, with coaction induced by the following coaction on $T_k V$:

$$u_{j_1} \otimes \cdots \otimes u_{j_k} \mapsto \sum_{i_1, \dots, i_k} (u_{i_1} \otimes \cdots \otimes u_{i_k}) \otimes x_{i_1 j_1} \otimes \cdots \otimes x_{i_k j_k}.$$

1.10 The principal properties of $L_{\lambda/\mu} V$ are summarized in the following theorem, which one proves along the lines of Theorem 6.19 and Corollary 6.20 in [H-H].

Theorem *Let λ/μ a skew partition with $l(\lambda/\mu) = s$. Then :*

(i) $L_{\lambda/\mu} V$ is an R -free module, and for any $\sigma \in \mathcal{S}_N$, a free basis is the set

$$L_{\lambda/\mu} Y(\sigma) = \{d_{\lambda/\mu}(V)(\xi_S) \mid S \in St_{\lambda/\mu} Y(\sigma)\}.$$

Here $St_{\lambda/\mu} Y$ denotes the set of all standard tableaux in the alphabet $Y(\sigma) = \{u_{\sigma(1)} < \cdots < u_{\sigma(N)}\}$, and

$$\xi_S = S(1, \mu_1 + 1) \wedge \cdots \wedge S(1, \lambda_1) \otimes \cdots \otimes S(s, \mu_s + 1) \wedge \cdots \wedge S(s, \lambda_s) \in \Lambda_{\lambda/\mu} V.$$

(ii) Let R' be a commutative ring and let $f : R \rightarrow R'$ be a homomorphism of commutative rings. Then we have an isomorphism of SE' -comodules

$$L_{\lambda/\mu}(R' \otimes_R V) \simeq R' \otimes_R L_{\lambda/\mu} V \quad , \quad E' = R' \otimes_R E.$$

□

As a consequence of (ii), it will not be restrictive for us to take $R = \mathbb{Z}[\mathcal{Q}, \mathcal{Q}^{-1}]$, where \mathcal{Q} stands for an indeterminate.

1.11 We recall that an element of $Tab_{\lambda/\mu}Y(\sigma)$, the set of all tableaux of shape λ/μ with elements in $Y(\sigma)$, is said to be *row-standard* if its rows are strictly increasing, and *column-standard* if its columns are non-decreasing. A tableau is said to be *standard* if it is both row- and column-standard. Let $Row_{\lambda/\mu}Y(\sigma)$ denote the set of row-standard tableaux of shape λ/μ and with elements in $Y(\sigma)$. For every $S \in Row_{\lambda/\mu}Y(\sigma)$, the element $d_{\lambda/\mu}(V)(\xi_S)$ can be expressed as a linear combination of basis elements. The algorithm, call it \mathcal{R}_σ , which does this is based on a descending induction with respect to a pseudo order defined in $Tab_{\lambda/\mu}Y(\sigma)$. Let S and S' be elements in $Tab_{\lambda/\mu}Y(\sigma)$. We say that $S \leq_\sigma S'$ if $\forall p, q$

$$\#\{(i, j) \in \Delta_{\lambda/\mu} \mid i \leq p, S(i, j) \in \{u_{\sigma(1)}, \dots, u_{\sigma(q)}\}\} \geq \\ \#\{(i, j) \in \Delta_{\lambda/\mu} \mid i \leq p, S'(i, j) \in \{u_{\sigma(1)}, \dots, u_{\sigma(q)}\}\}.$$

The key steps of \mathcal{R}_σ are the following:

1. Choose two adjacent lines in S where there is a violation of column-standardness; we are in the situation of Proposition (1.12) below, and we can use Corollary (1.13). We get certain S_i 's such that $S_i < S$ for every i .
2. Reorder in increasing order $S_i(1, \mu_1 + 1) \wedge \dots \wedge S_i(1, \lambda_1), \dots, S_i(s, \mu_s + 1) \wedge \dots \wedge S_i(s, \lambda_s)$ for each i ; this operation produces a power of q for every S_i (cf. (1.6)).
3. Apply induction to each S_i .

\mathcal{R}_σ is also called the "straightening law with respect to the ordering $u_{\sigma(1)} < \dots < u_{\sigma(N)}$ ".

1.12 Proposition *Let $\lambda = (\lambda_1, \lambda_2)$ and $\mu = (\mu_1, \mu_2)$ be partitions with $\lambda \supset \mu$. Define $\gamma = \lambda - \mu$ and take a, b nonnegative integers with $a + b < \lambda_2 - \mu_1$. Then the image of the composite map*

$$\square_{(a,b)} : \Lambda_a V \otimes \Lambda_{\gamma_1 - a + \gamma_2 - b} V \otimes \Lambda_b V \xrightarrow{1 \otimes \Delta \otimes 1} \Lambda_a V \otimes \Lambda_{\gamma_1 - a} V \otimes \Lambda_{\gamma_2 - b} V \otimes \Lambda_b V \xrightarrow{m \otimes m} \Lambda_{\gamma_1} V \otimes \Lambda_{\gamma_2} V = \Lambda_{\lambda/\mu} V$$

is contained in $Im(\square_{\lambda/\mu})$, where $\square_{\lambda/\mu}$ is given by

$$\sum_{\nu=0}^{\lambda_2 - \mu_1} \Lambda_{\gamma_1 + \gamma_2 - \nu} V \otimes \Lambda_\nu V \xrightarrow{\Delta \otimes 1} \sum_{\nu=0}^{\lambda_2 - \mu_1} \Lambda_{\gamma_1} V \otimes \Lambda_{\gamma_2 - \nu} V \otimes \Lambda_\nu V \xrightarrow{1 \otimes m} \sum_{\nu=0}^{\lambda_2 - \mu_1} \Lambda_{\gamma_1} V \otimes \Lambda_{\gamma_2} V.$$

Proof. Mimic the proof of Lemma 6.15 in [H-H]. □

1.13 Corollary *Let λ/μ be a skew partition with $l(\lambda) = s$, σ be an element of \mathcal{S}_N and S be an element of $Row_{\lambda/\mu}Y(\sigma) \setminus St_{\lambda/\mu}Y(\sigma)$. Then there exist $S_1, \dots, S_r \in Row_{\lambda/\mu}Y(\sigma)$ ($r \in \mathbb{N}$) with $S_i <_\sigma S$, $\forall i = 1, \dots, r$ such that*

$$\xi_S - \sum_i c_i \xi_{S_i} \in Im(\square_{\lambda/\mu}) = Ker(d_{\lambda/\mu}(V)),$$

for some $c_i \in \mathbb{Z}[q, q^{-1}]$. Here :

$$\square_{\lambda/\mu} = \sum_{i=1}^{s-1} 1_1 \otimes \cdots \otimes 1_{i-1} \otimes \square_{\lambda^i/\mu^i} \otimes 1_{i+2} \otimes \cdots \otimes 1_s, \quad \lambda^i = (\lambda_i, \lambda_{i+1}), \quad \mu^i = (\mu_i, \mu_{i+1}), \quad 1_j = id_{\Lambda_{\lambda_j - \mu_j} V}.$$

Proof. Mimic the proof of Lemma 6.18 in [H-H]. \square

1.14 We want to stress a consequence of Theorem (1.10) and of all the machinery which allows to prove it. First of all note that the subcategory of \mathcal{YB}_R (cf. [H-H]) given by the YB pairs as in 1.1 is a preadditive one. Namely, let $P^1 = (p_{ij}^1)_{i,j=1}^n$ and $P^2 = (p_{ij}^2)_{i,j=1}^m$ be two multiplicatively antisymmetric matrices, and put $V_{P^1} = \langle u_1^1, \dots, u_n^1 \rangle$, $V_{P^2} = \langle u_1^2, \dots, u_m^2 \rangle$. We define a YB operator on $V_{P^1} \oplus V_{P^2}$ by means of the matrix $P = (p_{ij})_{i,j=1}^N$, $N = n + m$, defined as follows:

$$p_{ij} = \begin{cases} p_{ij}^1 & \text{for } i, j \in [1, N] \\ p_{ij}^2 & \text{for } i, j \in [n+1, N] \\ 1 & \text{for } i \in [1, n], j \in [n+1, N] \text{ or } i \in [n+1, N], j \in [1, n] \end{cases}.$$

Then β_P is a YB operator on $V_P = \langle u_1^1, \dots, u_n^1, u_1^2, \dots, u_m^2 \rangle$. Note that V_P becomes in a natural way an $SE(q, P^1) \otimes SE(q, P^2)$ -comodule.

Write for short $V_i = V_{P^i}$, $\beta_i = \beta_{P^i}$, for $i = 1, 2$, and let $\mu \subset \gamma \subset \lambda$ be partitions. Following [A-B-W], define two R-modules

$$\begin{aligned} M_\gamma(\Lambda_{\lambda/\mu}(V_1 \oplus V_2)) &= Im\left(\sum_{\mu \subseteq \sigma \subseteq \lambda, \sigma \geq \gamma} \Lambda_{\sigma/\mu} V_1 \otimes \Lambda_{\lambda/\sigma} V_2 \longrightarrow \Lambda_{\lambda/\mu}(V_1 \oplus V_2)\right), \\ \dot{M}_\gamma(\Lambda_{\lambda/\mu}(V_1 \oplus V_2)) &= Im\left(\sum_{\mu \subseteq \sigma \subseteq \lambda, \sigma > \gamma} \Lambda_{\sigma/\mu} V_1 \otimes \Lambda_{\lambda/\sigma} V_2 \longrightarrow \Lambda_{\lambda/\mu}(V_1 \oplus V_2)\right), \end{aligned}$$

where the indicated maps are obtained by tensoring the obvious maps

$$\Lambda_{\sigma_i - \mu_i} V_1 \otimes \Lambda_{\lambda_i - \sigma_i} V_2 \longrightarrow \Lambda_{\lambda_i - \mu_i}(V_1 \oplus V_2).$$

Let $M_\gamma(L_{\lambda/\mu}(V_1 \oplus V_2))$ and $\dot{M}_\gamma(L_{\lambda/\mu}(V_1 \oplus V_2))$ be the images of the previous modules under the Schur map $d_{\lambda/\mu}(V_1 \oplus V_2)$. The following result holds as in the classical case :

Theorem *The R-modules*

$$L_{\lambda/\mu} V_1 \otimes L_{\lambda/\gamma} V_2, \quad M_\gamma(L_{\lambda/\mu}(V_1 \oplus V_2)) / \dot{M}_\gamma(L_{\lambda/\mu}(V_1 \oplus V_2))$$

are isomorphic. Hence the R-modules $M_\gamma(L_{\lambda/\mu}(V_1 \oplus V_2))$, $\mu \subseteq \gamma \subseteq \lambda$, give a filtration of $L_{\lambda/\mu}(V_1 \oplus V_2)$, whose associated graded module is isomorphic to

$$\sum_{\mu \subseteq \gamma \subseteq \lambda} L_{\gamma/\mu} V_1 \otimes L_{\lambda/\gamma} V_2.$$

Proof. Follow verbatim the proof of Theorem II. 4.11 in [A-B-W]. \square

Note that the isomorphism of the theorem is in fact an isomorphism of $SE(q, P^1) \otimes SE(q, P^2)$ -comodules.

2. The Recipe

2.1 In this Section we let R be the ring $R = \mathbb{Z}[\mathcal{Q}, \mathcal{Q}^{-1}]$, \mathcal{Q} an indeterminate, and take a multiplicatively antisymmetric matrix $P = (p_{ij})_{i,j=1}^N$, and the YB pair $(V_P, \beta_{\mathcal{Q},P})$, where $V_P = \langle u_1, \dots, u_N \rangle$ and

$$(1) \quad \beta_{\mathcal{Q},P}(u_i \otimes u_j) = \begin{cases} u_i \otimes u_i & \text{if } i = j \\ \mathcal{Q} p_{ji} u_j \otimes u_i & \text{if } i < j \\ \mathcal{Q} p_{ji} u_j \otimes u_i + (1 - \mathcal{Q}^2) u_i \otimes u_j & \text{if } i > j \end{cases}.$$

We are going to construct a filtration of $L_{\lambda/\mu} V_P$ as an $SE(\mathcal{Q}, P)$ -comodule, such that the associated graded object is isomorphic to $\sum_{\nu} \gamma(\lambda/\mu; \nu) L_{\nu} V_P$. As in the classical Littlewood-Richardson rule, here $\gamma(\lambda/\mu; \nu)$ stands for the number of standard tableaux of shape λ/μ filled with $\tilde{\mu}_1$ copies of 1, $\tilde{\mu}_2$ copies of 2, $\tilde{\mu}_3$ copies of 3, etc., such that the associated word (formed by listing all entries from bottom to top in each column, starting from the leftmost column) is a lattice permutation. The construction is a suitable "deformation" of the one used in the first author's doctoral thesis, Brandeis University 1984, as illustrated for instance in [B]. We again remark that owing to Theorem (1.10) (ii), the construction holds in fact for every commutative ring R and every choice of a unit $q \in R$.

2.2 In order to embed $L_{\lambda/\mu} V_P$ into a (non-skew) Schur module, let $M = \mu_1$ and consider another multiplicatively antisymmetric matrix $P' = (p'_{ij})_{i,j=1}^M$, together with the YB pair $(V_{P'}, \beta_{\mathcal{Q},P'})$, where $V_{P'} = \langle u'_1, \dots, u'_M \rangle$ and $\beta_{\mathcal{Q},P'}$ is defined similarly to (1) above. For convenience of notations, we shall denote $V_P, u_i, V_{P'},$ and u'_i by $V, i, V',$ and i' , respectively.

It follows from Theorem (1.14) that the $SE(\mathcal{Q}, P') \otimes SE(\mathcal{Q}, P)$ -comodule $L_{\lambda}(V' \oplus V)$ is isomorphic to $\sum_{\alpha \subseteq \lambda} L_{\alpha} V' \otimes L_{\lambda/\alpha} V$, up to a filtration.

Let $(L_{\lambda}(V' \oplus V))_h$ denote the sub- R -module of $L_{\lambda}(V' \oplus V)$ spanned by the tableaux in which h V' -indices occur. (In this section we identify tableaux and corresponding elements of Schur modules.) Then up to a filtration,

$$(L_{\lambda}(V' \oplus V))_h \simeq \sum_{\alpha \subseteq \lambda, |\alpha|=h} L_{\alpha} V' \otimes L_{\lambda/\alpha} V,$$

as $SE(\mathcal{Q}, P') \otimes SE(\mathcal{Q}, P)$ -comodules.

If $(L_{\lambda}(V' \oplus V))_{\tilde{\mu}}$ denotes the sub- R -module of $L_{\lambda}(V' \oplus V)$ spanned by the tableaux in which every i' occurs exactly $\tilde{\mu}_i$ times, also :

$$(2) \quad (L_{\lambda}(V' \oplus V))_{\tilde{\mu}} \simeq \sum_{\alpha \subseteq \lambda} (L_{\alpha} V')_{\tilde{\mu}} \otimes L_{\lambda/\alpha} V,$$

as $SE(\mathcal{Q}, P)$ -comodules, up to a filtration.

Since the bottom piece of the filtration relative to (2) corresponds to the (lexicographically) largest partition α , namely μ , it follows :

$$(L_{\lambda} V')_{\tilde{\mu}} \otimes L_{\lambda/\mu} V \xrightarrow{SE(\mathcal{Q}, P)} (L_{\lambda}(V' \oplus V))_{\tilde{\mu}}.$$

And $rk(L_\mu V')_{\tilde{\mu}} = 1$ implies that

$$L_{\lambda/\mu} V \xrightarrow{SE(\mathcal{Q}, P)} (L_\lambda(V' \oplus V))_{\tilde{\mu}},$$

as wished.

Explicitly, the embedding sends the tableau $d_{\lambda/\mu}(V)(a_1 \otimes \cdots \otimes a_s)$, $s = l(\lambda)$, to

$$d_\lambda(V' \oplus V)[(b^{(\mu_1)} \wedge a_1) \otimes \cdots \otimes (b^{(\mu_r)} \wedge a_r) \otimes a_{r+1} \otimes \cdots \otimes a_s], \quad r = l(\mu),$$

where we write $b^{(k)}$ for $1' \wedge 2' \wedge \cdots \wedge k' \in \Lambda_k V'$. Notice that $b^{(k)}$ is a relative $SB^+(\mathcal{Q}, P')$ -invariant.

2.3 Let $\mathbf{t} = (t_{r1}, \dots, t_{11}; t_{r2}, \dots, t_{12}; \dots; t_{rs}, \dots, t_{1s})$ be a family of nonnegative integers such that

$$\sum_{i=1}^s t_{ji} = \mu_j \quad \forall j = 1, \dots, r.$$

Let f denote the $SE(\mathcal{Q}, P')$ -equivariant composite map :

$$\begin{aligned} & \Lambda_{\mu_r} V' \otimes \cdots \otimes \Lambda_{\mu_1} V' \\ & \downarrow \otimes_{j=r}^1 (\Delta_{\Lambda V'}^{t_j}) \\ & (\Lambda_{t_{r1}} V' \otimes \cdots \otimes \Lambda_{t_{rs}} V') \otimes \cdots \otimes (\Lambda_{t_{11}} V' \otimes \cdots \otimes \Lambda_{t_{1s}} V') \\ & \downarrow \varphi_{\Lambda V'}(\omega_{rs}) \\ & (\Lambda_{t_{r1}} V' \otimes \Lambda_{t_{r-1,1}} V' \otimes \cdots \otimes \Lambda_{t_{11}} V') \otimes \cdots \otimes (\Lambda_{t_{rs}} V' \otimes \Lambda_{t_{r-1,s}} V' \otimes \cdots \otimes \Lambda_{t_{1s}} V') \\ & \downarrow (m_{\Lambda V'}^{(r)})^{\otimes s} \\ & \Lambda_{t_{r1}+t_{r-1,1}+\cdots+t_{11}} V' \otimes \cdots \otimes \Lambda_{t_{rs}+t_{r-1,s}+\cdots+t_{1s}} V' \end{aligned}$$

where $t_j = (t_{j1}, \dots, t_{js})$, $m_{\Lambda V'}^{(r)} : \Lambda V' \otimes \cdots \otimes \Lambda V' \longrightarrow \Lambda V'$ is obtained by iterating the multiplication, and

$$\omega_{rs} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & \cdots & s & s+1 & s+2 & \cdots & 2s+1 & \cdots & rs \\ 1 & r+1 & 2r+1 & \cdots & (s-1)r+1 & 2 & r+2 & \cdots & 3 & \cdots & rs \end{pmatrix}$$

(cf. items (1.5) and (1.7)).

As $b^{(\mu_r)} \otimes \cdots \otimes b^{(\mu_1)}$ is a relative $SB^+(\mathcal{Q}, P')$ -invariant, also $f(b^{(\mu_r)} \otimes \cdots \otimes b^{(\mu_1)})$ is so. We denote the latter by $b(\mathbf{t})$.

2.4 For every $\nu \subseteq \lambda$ such that $|\nu| = |\lambda| - |\mu|$, let $B(\lambda/\nu)$ denote the set of all possible $b(\mathbf{t})$ which satisfy the further equalities :

$$\sum_{j=1}^r t_{ji} = \lambda_i - \nu_i \quad \forall i = 1, \dots, s.$$

For every $b \in B(\lambda/\nu)$, we call $\varphi(\nu, b)$ the restriction to $\Lambda_\nu V \otimes \{b\}$ of the following composite map

$$\Lambda_\nu V \otimes \Lambda_{\lambda/\nu} V' \xrightarrow{\varphi_\nu(\lambda)} \Lambda_\lambda(V' \oplus V) \xrightarrow{d_\lambda(V' \oplus V)} \Lambda_\lambda(V' \oplus V),$$

where $\varphi_\nu(\lambda)$ is obtained by tensoring the morphisms

$$\Lambda_{\nu_i} V \otimes \Lambda_{\lambda_i - \nu_i} V' \longrightarrow \Lambda_{\lambda_i}(V' \oplus V), \quad x \otimes y \mapsto x \wedge y, \quad i = 1, \dots, s.$$

Proposition *The image of $\varphi(\nu, b)$ lies in $L_{\lambda/\mu} V \hookrightarrow L_\lambda(V' \oplus V)$.*

Proof. As $\varphi(\nu, b)$ is $SE(\mathcal{Q}, P') \otimes SE(\mathcal{Q}, P)$ -equivariant, and b is a relative $SB^+(\mathcal{Q}, P')$ -invariant of V' -content $\tilde{\mu}$ (i.e., it contains $\tilde{\mu}_i$ copies of i'), each element of $Im(\varphi(\nu, b))$ is a relative $SB^+(\mathcal{Q}, P')$ -invariant of V' -content $\tilde{\mu}$. But then we are through, thanks to Lemma (2.5) below and to the fact that $d_\mu(V')(b^{(\mu_1)} \otimes \dots \otimes b^{(\mu_r)})$ is the only canonical tableau of content $\tilde{\mu}$. \square

2.5 Lemma *For every partition α , take in $L_\alpha V' \otimes_R \mathbb{Q}(\mathcal{Q})$ the element*

$$C_\alpha = d_\alpha(V')(1' \wedge \dots \wedge \alpha'_1 \otimes 1' \wedge \dots \wedge \alpha'_2 \otimes \dots \otimes 1' \wedge \dots \wedge \alpha'_l), \quad l = l(\alpha)$$

(C_α is sometimes called the "canonical tableau of $L_\alpha V'$ "). Then the relative $SB^+(\mathcal{Q}, P')$ -invariant elements of $L_\alpha V' \otimes_R \mathbb{Q}(\mathcal{Q})$ are spanned (over $\mathbb{Q}(\mathcal{Q})$) by C_α .

Proof. Combine $(L_\alpha V')_{\bar{a}} = R \cdot C_\alpha$ with a multiparameter version of a suitable analogue of Theorem 6.5.2 in [P-W]. \square

2.6 For each $\nu \subseteq \lambda$ such that $\gamma(\lambda/\mu; \nu) \neq 0$, we wish to describe a subset of $B(\lambda/\nu)$, say $B'(\lambda/\nu)$, such that $\#B'(\lambda/\nu) = \gamma(\lambda/\mu; \nu)$. Let $T \in L_{\lambda/\nu} V'$ be a standard tableau, of content $\tilde{\mu}$, and such that its associated word, $as(T) = (a_1, \dots, a_{|\mu|})$, is a lattice permutation. Then μ is the content of the transpose lattice permutation $(as(T))^\vee = (\tilde{a}_1, \dots, \tilde{a}_{|\mu|})$, where \tilde{a}_i is the number of times a_i occurs in $as(T)$ in the range (a_1, \dots, a_i) . Let \tilde{T} be the tableau obtained from T by replacing every entry a_i of T by \tilde{a}_i . For each $i \in \{1, \dots, s\}$ and each $j \in \{1, \dots, r\}$, we set :

$$t_{ji} = \# \text{ of } j\text{'s occurring in the } i\text{-th row of } \tilde{T}.$$

We denote by $b(T)$ the element $b(\mathbf{t}) \in B(\lambda/\nu)$, corresponding to this choice of t_{ji} 's.

2.7 Given any row-standard tableau T , we can consider the word $w(T)$ formed by writing one after the other all the rows of T , starting from the top. As all such words can be ordered lexicographically, we can say that $T <_{lex} T'$ if and only if $w(T) <_{lex} w(T')$. It is then easy to see that the following holds.

Proposition *If we write $b(T) \in \Lambda_{\lambda/\nu} V'$ as a linear combination of row-standard tableaux, then*

$$b(T) = \pm \mathcal{Q}^* T + \sum_k c_k T_k, \quad c_k \in \mathbb{Z}[\mathcal{Q}, \mathcal{Q}^{-1}],$$

where \mathcal{Q}^* stands for a power of \mathcal{Q} , and each T_k is a row-standard tableau $<_{lex} T$. \square

Since there are exactly $\gamma(\lambda/\mu; \nu)$ tableaux $T \in L_{\lambda/\nu} V'$ which are standard, of content $\tilde{\mu}$, and such that $as(T)$ is a lattice permutation, the above Proposition implies that the elements $b(T)$ form a subset of $B(\lambda/\nu)$ of cardinality $\gamma(\lambda/\mu; \nu)$. It is precisely this subset which we call $B'(\lambda/\nu)$.

2.8 Consider the family of elements of $L_{\lambda/\mu} V \hookrightarrow L_{\lambda}(V' \oplus V)$:

$$\mathcal{F} = \{\varphi(\nu, b)(x) \mid \gamma(\lambda/\mu; \nu) \neq 0, b \in B'(\lambda/\nu), \text{ and } d_{\nu}(V)(x) \text{ is a standard tableau}\}.$$

We claim that \mathcal{F} is an R -basis of $L_{\lambda/\mu} V$.

Proposition *The elements of \mathcal{F} are linearly independent over R .*

Proof. Suppose that there exist nonzero coefficients $r_{\nu, b, x} \in R$ such that $\sum_{\mathcal{F}} r_{\nu, b, x} \varphi(\nu, b)(x) = 0$, i.e., such that $\sum_{\nu, b, x} r_{\nu, b, x} d_{\lambda}(V' \oplus V)(\varphi_{\nu}(\lambda)(x \otimes b)) = 0$ in $L_{\lambda}(V' \oplus V)$. This is the same as

$$(3) \quad \sum_{\nu, b} d_{\lambda}(V' \oplus V)(\varphi_{\nu}(\lambda)(y_{\nu, b} \otimes b)) = 0,$$

where $y_{\nu, b} = \sum_x r_{\nu, b, x} x$. Let ν_0 be the (lexicographically) smallest ν occuring in (3). Order the set $B'(\lambda/\nu_0) = \{b(T_1), \dots, b(T_p)\}$ as follows :

$$b(T_i) < b(T_j) \text{ if and only if } w(T_i) <_{lex} w(T_j).$$

Let $b_0 = b(T_0)$ be the highest $b(T_i) \in B'(\lambda/\nu_0)$ occuring in $\sum_{\nu, b} d_{\lambda}(V' \oplus V)(\varphi_{\nu}(\lambda)(y_{\nu, b} \otimes b))$. Clearly, $d_{\lambda}(V' \oplus V)(\varphi_{\nu_0}(\lambda)(y_{\nu_0, b_0} \otimes b_0))$ is not in general a linear combination of standard tableaux of $L_{\lambda}(V' \oplus V)$, with respect to the order $1 < \dots < N < 1' < \dots < M'$, since violations of column-standardness may occur in b_0 . Apply therefore to $d_{\lambda}(V' \oplus V)(\varphi_{\nu_0}(\lambda)(y_{\nu_0, b_0} \otimes b_0))$ the straightening law of $L_{\lambda}(V' \oplus V)$ with respect to $1 < \dots < N < 1' < \dots < M'$. One gets (recall Proposition (2.7)) :

$$\pm \mathcal{Q}^* d_{\lambda}(V' \oplus V)(\varphi_{\nu_0}(\lambda)(y_{\nu_0, b_0} \otimes T_0)) + (\text{a linear combination of standard tableaux with V-shape } > \nu_0) + (\text{a linear combination of standard tableaux with V-shape } = \nu_0 \text{ and } V'\text{-part } <_{lex} T_0).$$

Because of our choice of ν_0 and b_0 , (3) then implies that $d_{\lambda}(V' \oplus V)(\varphi_{\nu_0}(\lambda)(y_{\nu_0, b_0} \otimes T_0)) = 0$, i.e.,

$$\sum_x r_{\nu_0, b_0, x} d_{\lambda}(V' \oplus V)(\varphi_{\nu_0}(\lambda)(x \otimes T_0)) = 0.$$

But this is a linear combination of standard tableaux in $L_{\lambda}(V' \oplus V)$, with respect to the order $1 < \dots < N < 1' < \dots < M'$, so that $r_{\nu_0, b_0, x} = 0$ for each x , which contradicts our assumption on the coefficients $r_{\nu, b, x}$. \square

2.9 Corollary *\mathcal{F} is a basis for $L_{\lambda/\mu} V \otimes_R \mathbb{Q}(\mathcal{Q})$.*

Proof. By definition of \mathcal{F} , $\#\mathcal{F} = rk(L_{\lambda/\mu}V)$. By Theorem (1.10)(ii), the latter rank is constant on all rings. So proposition (2.8) says that \mathcal{F} is a basis for the vector space $L_{\lambda/\mu}V \otimes_R \mathbb{Q}(\mathcal{Q})$. \square

2.10 Corollary \mathcal{F} is a basis for $L_{\lambda/\mu}V$.

Proof. It suffices to show that \mathcal{F} is a system of generators for $L_{\lambda/\mu}V$. Let $y \in L_{\lambda}(V' \oplus V)$ be any tableau of type

$$\begin{array}{cccccccc} 1' & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \mu'_1 & \circ & \circ & \circ \\ 1' & \cdot & \cdot & \mu'_2 & \circ & \circ & \circ & \\ 1' & \cdot & \mu'_3 & \circ & \circ & & & \\ \cdot & \cdot & \circ & \circ & & & & \\ \cdot & \cdot & \circ & \circ & & & & \\ \circ & \circ & \circ & & & & & \\ \circ & \circ & & & & & & \end{array},$$

where the little circles stand for basis elements of V .

Since $y \in L_{\lambda/\mu}V$, Corollary (2.9) says that in the quotient field of R , there exist (unique) coefficients $q_{\nu,b,x}$, such that

$$(4) \quad y = \sum_{\mathcal{F}} q_{\nu,b,x} \varphi(\nu, b)(x).$$

To both sides of (4), apply the straightening law with respect to $1 < \dots < N < 1' < \dots < M'$. In the left-hand side, only coefficients in R occur. In the right-hand side, if ν_0 denotes the smallest V-shape coupled with a nonzero $\sum_x q_{\nu,b,x}x$, and $b_0 = b(T_0)$ denotes the highest element of $B'(\lambda/\nu_0)$ (cf. ordering in the proof of Proposition (2.8)) occurring with a nonzero $\sum_x q_{\nu_0,b,x}x$, we find that the term $\pm \mathcal{Q}^* d_{\lambda}(V' \oplus V)(\varphi_{\nu_0}(\lambda)(\sum_x q_{\nu_0,b_0,x}x \otimes T_0))$ must cancel with something in the left-hand side; since each $d_{\nu_0}(V)(x) \in L_{\nu}V$ is standard, it follows that $q_{\nu_0,b_0,x} \in R$ for every x .

Write next (4) as :

$$(4') \quad y - \sum_x q_{\nu_0,b_0,x} \varphi(\nu_0, b_0)(x) = \sum_{(\nu,b) \neq (\nu_0,b_0)} \varphi(\nu, b) \left(\sum_x q_{\nu,b,x} x \right).$$

Reasoning for (4') as done for (4), it follows that $q_{\nu_1,b_1,x} \in R$, where (ν_1, b_1) is the pair (ν, b) coming immediately before (ν_0, b_0) in the total ordering :

$(\nu, b) < (\nu', b')$ if and only if either $\nu > \nu'$, or $\nu = \nu'$ and $b < b'$ in the ordering of $B'(\lambda/\nu)$ given in the proof of Proposition (2.8).

Repeating the argument as many times as necessary, the proof is completed. \square

2.11 Theorem Up to a filtration, $L_{\lambda/\mu}V \simeq \sum_{\nu} \gamma(\lambda/\mu; \nu) L_{\nu}V$ as $SE(\mathcal{Q}, P)$ -comodules.

Proof. For every ν such that $\gamma(\lambda/\mu; \nu) \neq 0$, let M_{ν} denote the R -span (in $L_{\lambda}(V' \oplus V)$) of all elements $\varphi(\tau, b)(x)$ of \mathcal{F} such that $\tau \geq \nu$. Also let \dot{M}_{ν} denote the R -span of all $\varphi(\tau, b)(x)$ such that $\tau > \nu$. Clearly, we have the isomorphism of free R -modules :

$$M_{\nu} / \dot{M}_{\nu} \xrightarrow{\psi_{\nu}} L_{\nu}V \oplus \dots \oplus L_{\nu}V \quad (\gamma(\lambda/\mu; \nu) \text{ summands}).$$

$\{M_\nu\}$ will be the required filtration, if we show that each ψ_ν is an $SE(\mathcal{Q}, P)$ -isomorphism. In order to do so, it suffices to prove that for every fixed $b_0 \in B'(\lambda/\nu)$, and for every basis element $y \in \Lambda_\nu V$, $\varphi(\nu, b_0)(y) - \varphi(\nu, b_0)(\sum r_i x_i) \in \dot{M}_\nu$, where $\sum r_i d_\nu(V)(x_i)$ is obtained by application to the tableau $d_\nu(V)(y)$ of the straightening law of $L_\nu V$. Notice however that $\varphi(\nu, b_0)(y) \in L_{\lambda/\mu} V \subseteq L_\lambda(V' \oplus V)$ can be written in two ways :

$$(5) \quad \varphi(\nu, b_0)(y) = \sum_{\mathcal{F}} r_{\tau, b, x} \varphi(\tau, b)(x),$$

by Corollary (2.10), and

$$(6) \quad \varphi(\nu, b_0)(y) = \sum r_i \varphi(\nu, b_0)(x_i) + L.C.,$$

where $L.C.$ denotes a linear combination of tableaux, standard with respect to $1 < \dots < N < 1' < \dots < M'$, and with V-part $> \nu$. This last equality is obtained by eliminating in the V-part of $\varphi(\nu, b_0)(y)$ all violations of standardness, with respect to $1 < \dots < N < 1' < \dots < M'$.

Comparing (5) and (6), it follows that

$$\varphi(\nu, b_0)(y) - \varphi(\nu, b_0)(\sum r_i x_i) = \sum_{\mathcal{F}} r_{\tau, b, x} \varphi(\tau, b)(x)$$

with $r_{\tau, b, x} = 0$ whenever $\tau \leq \nu$. Hence $\varphi(\nu, b_0)(y) - \varphi(\nu, b_0)(\sum r_i x_i) \in \dot{M}_\nu$ as wished. \square

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